

## THIS CITY BUILT WHILE YOU WAIT

Fourth Largest Town in Alabama  
Full Grown in One Year.

HAD A MODEL GOVERNMENT

Permanent Settlement Around  
U. S. Nitrate Plant Presented  
Unusual Problems.

By GARRET SMITH.

The fourth largest city in Alabama, peopled with 25,000 souls of diverse races and religions, uprooted from far scattered communities in every part of the United States and Canada sprang into being almost overnight around the great new government ammonium nitrate plant down on the open cotton and corn fields at Muscle Shoals on the Tennessee River during the last year of the World War. Here was a problem in city building, municipal government and community welfare that has seldom been equalled and the success of its solution has never been excelled.

The job was in the hands of the Air Nitrates Corporation which had been organized under the direction of the Ordnance Department to build plant and city at Muscle Shoals. Early in January, 1918, this new town had a few temporary buildings and a population of 300. This had jumped by the middle of August to more than 21,000. A population multiplied by 70 in 7 months.

In the management of the new towns and army cantonments that sprang up during the war the old-time evils that attended the growth of mushroom cities have been avoided by the application of modern welfare systems. But nowhere were conditions more difficult than at Muscle Shoals. Here was a malarial region threatened at the same time with other deadly disease epidemics. Transportation was lacking. No nearby labor was available and the general labor shortage was at its most acute stage. Costs of labor and supplies were leaping over night. Furthermore, Muscle Shoals differed from all the other new war towns inasmuch as it was to be permanent.

New Government Devised.

The managers, besides city government, had to handle the entire retail business of the town. A camp supervisor's department was put in charge of the maintenance of all buildings, fire protection and sanitation. The camp supervisor looked after everything from the mending of a lock to the remodeling of groups of buildings or laying sewers or steam mains. For the bachelor contingent a commissary department was necessary.

The business department managed the stores, canteens, motion picture theaters, pool parlors, tailor shops, dry cleaning establishments, barber shops, newsstands, a hotel, a vegetable farm and a hog farm where 1,000 hogs were raised on the wastes from eating places. It maintained a slaughter house where these hogs were put through the regular packing house course. It operated a laundry which cleaned 7,493 pieces a day. Then there was a real estate department that rented and managed the family quarters and a housing department which assigned to quarters everybody excepting the families.

Under separate jurisdiction from its community director were the police.

The health department, in charge of a physician from New York city, started with a small office in one of the temporary buildings, and was soon full grown and splendidly equipped. Conditions were favorable to disease. The winter was the severest on record in northern Alabama. The men were compelled to work either in deep snow or mud above their knees. As a result a pneumonia epidemic developed among the Negroes that spring. Later in the year a typhoid epidemic was threatened. Moreover, the site of the plant was in the heart of the malarial district. But the pneumonia epidemic was checked, the typhoid threat nipped in the bud, and malaria stamped out.

A Health Record Established

The little first-aid hospital presently grew to a complete modern institution with a nurses' home and a separate dispensary for dental, eye, ear, nose, throat, genito-urinary clinics and a surgical dispensary for first-aid work.

During the eight months when the death rate was not affected by the influenza and pneumonia epidemics the general health rate was 12.4 per thousand per year, which is lower than in most cities in the same latitude and climate, and the pneumonia death rate during the epidemic was lower than in most army cantonments.

Much of the success of the health administration is due to the establishment of the Muscle Shoals sanitary district by the United States Public Health Service.

The education and welfare department also had a vital work to perform. There was a school population of over 1,000. The Secretary of War created the community organization branch of the Ordnance Department which, with advice and aid of some of the greatest school men of the country, prescribed the courses of study and recruited teachers from the best established systems.

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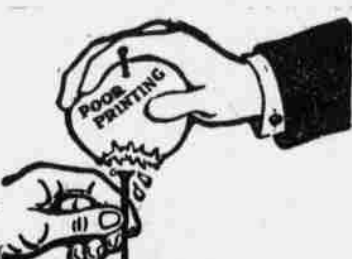
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Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cross returned to Tatesville yesterday, via Bridgeport, going to South Pittsburg at noon to take train. They were accompanied by Mrs. Cross' mother, Mrs. M. D. Brewer.

## CASTORIA

For Infants and Children  
In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the Signature of

Wm. D. Mitchell

## MORGENTHAU PLEADS FOR HELPING HAND IN THE NEAR EAST

Former Ambassador to Turkey  
Says America Should Not Let  
Armenian Allies Starve.

By HENRY MORGENTHAU,

Former Ambassador to Turkey and  
Leader in Near East Relief.

If they were good enough to fight and die for us when we needed their help so sorely, they are good enough now to share some meager little crumbs from our plenty when they have nothing, when hundreds of thousands of them are homeless, unclad, foodless and threatened with extermination by their enemies and our own.

Not far from a million Christians have been murdered by their Turkish oppressors. Hungry, terror stricken hundreds of thousands of refugees now look to the United States for succor.

Have Trust in America.

We cannot refuse. Next to their faith in God is their trust in the disinterested good will and generosity of



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HENRY MORGENTHAU.

the American people. They look to us as the human agency to extricate them from the frightful situation in which they have been left as a consequence of the war.

If we should fail to aid them, starvation and the winter's cold would go far to completing the work done by the unspeakable Turk.

I have not seen with my own eyes the misery in which the Armenians now exist. I have been spared that. But the reports which have been brought in by agents of the Near East Relief and by representatives of the Peace Conference paint a picture of wretchedness inconceivable to those who have not a first hand impression of the savagery of the Mussulman.

Exiled From Homes.

Since the beginning of the war the Turkish Armenians have been largely refugees from their homes. A simple agricultural people, they have been exiles from their farms, deprived of all opportunity to support themselves. Year by year their sufferings have increased. Now, a year after fighting has ceased, they are still living the life of nomads, able to continue to keep alive only by virtue of American philanthropy.

These homeless people—"filthy infidels" to the Turk—were good enough to exert their poor might in our behalf while the war was still in the balance. Massacres of a half century had not so broken their spirit that they dared not fight for right and for democracy when justice was the issue. We accepted their aid then. Surely we shall not pass them by without compassion now.

The day has passed when any self respecting man dares permit absorption in his own personal affairs to exclude consideration of his neighbor's well being. No honorable man can knowingly allow his neighbor to hunger or to go unclothed. The Christian peoples of the Near East are our neighbors. The money needed to relieve them can be spared without causing any man, woman or child in the United States to suffer.

Must Not Rest on Past.

In other years of our own free will we sent missionaries to Turkey. Our schools and colleges and hospitals have played a wonderful role in humanizing that dark spot in the world. Our ideas, our educational resources, our material equipment, have been leaven in the Near East. Because we have done well in times past we have this great opportunity for the present.

The Armenians have been treated as perhaps no people in history have been treated because they are the spiritual brothers of western races.

Will America help them? There can be but one answer. Their necessity is dire, but our power is great. We are wealthy. We are a member of the family of nations. Our brothers call us. Food, clothes, money, are immediately wanted. If ever unmerited suffering called for succor the plight of the Armenians should be heeded now. A few months more and it may be relief will be too late for those perished whom only we can save. We shall not fail them.

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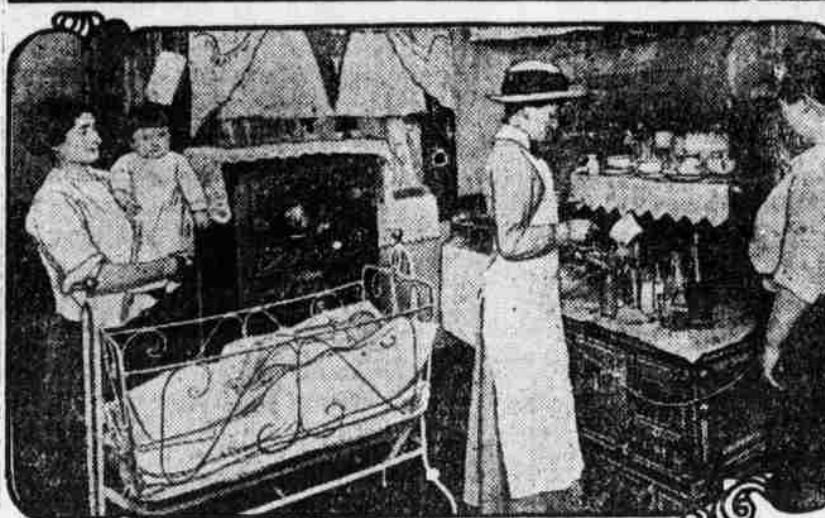
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## Sequachee Valley News

SEQUATCHIE, TENN.

## AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.

Public Health Nursing.



In the midst of its multifarious war duties the American Red Cross did not neglect its obligations to the civilian population at home. Throughout the conflict it maintained its Bureau of Public Health Nursing, instruction in first aid, home nursing and sanitation, and disaster relief. Particularly in their work for the babies was effort by public health nurses important. The accompanying photograph shows a Red Cross public health nurse instructing a mother in the proper preparation of the baby's diet.

## Fleming, Ky.

Special to the News.

Cold weather seems to be the order of the day here now.

Mrs. Kate Looney and daughter, Fannie, visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Newsom, Millstone, Ky., last week, and also Mrs. Jeff Hooper, Seco, Ky.

Ye writer sure was glad to see "Red Rose" appear, as I know you. Come again, let me hear from you every week.

Ye writer was sorry to hear of W. W. Morrison's illness and A. Franklin's accident. Hope they soon recover.

Mrs. Chas. Miller, who has been ill for the past month, is improving.

Ye writer would like to know if any of the readers know the whereabouts of J. B. Warren and Mandy Warren, as I would like to have their address.

Mrs. Bessie Bailey's baby has been sick, but is better than she has been.

James Stansberry called on Chas. Bailey Sunday.

Walter Sexton said he would like to know if Jim Yather is at Soddy, as he would like to hear from him.

Jim Looney visited his sister, Mrs. Nora Shelton, Sunday afternoon.

Ye writer would like to know the whereabouts of Ralph Coulter and wife. Wake up and let us hear from everybody.

Black Eyes.

Jas. O. Hoge, of Ebenezer, was here Monday, having been on a 15 or 20 mile ride on the mountain in search of cattle. He reported plenty of ice and snow falling on the high altitudes near Tracy. He advanced his subscription a half year, and invited the News staff over to the always enjoyable May meeting held at Ebenezer church.

L. C. Gott, R. 2, Whitwell, Tenn., will read the News for one year.

## FOR SALE WORK CATTLE

Four yoke good young work cattle, average weight 1100 lbs; well trained. Will be sold cheap for cash or on time. Apply to

EVERETT WILLIS,  
Route 2, Whitwell, Tenn.

Place, 2 miles east Sequachee

## Pryor Ridge.

Special to the News.

Foggy weather seems to be the order of the day.

John O'Neal called on Frank Kilgore Saturday night.

We are sorry to hear that Miss Nan Coppinger has been sick. Hope she will soon return.

Miss Bessie Green said she would like to see Loney Presnell. Sunflower.

T. B. Lasater, of Lasater's Farms, was in Jasper yesterday and took occasion to make renewal of subscription to the News.

LAND SALE.

By virtue of order, I will on Tuesday, the 7th day of January, 1920, at noon, sell in the town of Sequatchie, on the premises, property of J. C. Griffith, deceased, the following described tract of land: a tract of land in the town of Sequatchie, Marion County, Tenn., in Block 16, as shown on plan of Sequatchie and recorded in the Registrar's office of Marion County, Book "T," pages 622 and 623.

B. L. GRAHAM,  
County Court Clerk.

This Dec. 10, 1919.  
Printer's Fee, \$2.80.

## COULD HARDLY STAND ALONE

Terrible Suffering From Headache, Sideache, Backache, and Weakness, Relieved by Cardui, Says This Texas Lady.

Gonzales, Tex.—Mrs. Minnie Philpot, of this place, writes: "Five years ago I was taken with a pain in my left side. It was right under my left rib. It would commence with an aching and extend up into my left shoulder and on down into my back. By that time the pain would be so severe I would have to take to bed, and suffered usually about three days. I suffered this way for three years, and got to be a mere skeleton and was so weak I could hardly stand alone. Was not able to go anywhere and had to let my house work go. I suffered awful with a pain in my back and I had the headache all the time. I just was unable to do a thing. My life was a misery, my stomach got in an awful condition, caused from taking so much medicine. I suffered so much pain. I had just about given up all hopes of my getting anything to help me.

One day a Birthday Almanac was thrown in my yard. After reading its testimonials I decided to try Cardui, and am so thankful that I did, for I began to improve when on the second bottle. I am now a well woman and feeling fine and the cure has been permanent for it has been two years since my awful bad health. I will always praise and recommend Cardui. Try Cardui today.